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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

Improvements in and connected with Envelopes, Boxes, Containers, and such like.

I, JOHN HORSLEY, of 55, Dixon Avenue, Glasgow, Scotland, British Subject, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

My invention relates to improvements in and connected with envelopes, boxes, containers, and such like, and has for its object, to simplify and cheapen the means of closing and fixing the envelopes, etc., against tampering without detection, all as hereinafter described with reference to the drawings and pointed out in the claims.

In order that my invention may be properly understood and readily carried into effect, I have hereunto appended one sheet of drawings, showing the invention applied to an envelope of which

Figure 1 is a view of back of an envelope open.

Figure 2 is a cross sectional view of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a view of back of envelope closed.

Referring to the drawings, the device consists of a small plate T of any suitable metal or material, having an eyelet W formed thereon by a punch or such like, the part removed in forming the eyelet W protruding beyond the face of the plate T, hereinafter designated projection. Under this eyelet W there is a little projection or pimple U formed also by a punch or otherwise, of semi-ball or dome-shaped formation. A further plate V of similar size and formation, having two eyelets X and X¹, one above the other, and similar to the eyelet referred to in the plate T, is also provided. Two holes Y and Y¹ are formed in the flap E of the envelope, and two similar holes Z and Z¹ on the back of the envelope.

The plate T is placed on the inside of the back portion E¹ of the envelope, the eyelets fitting into the holes Z, Z¹ therein, with the projection on the eyelet W, and the semi-ball or dome-shaped projection U projecting through the holes Z and Z¹. The other plate V having the two eyelets X and X¹ is similarly fixed to the outside of the flap E, the projec-

tions protruding through the holes Y and Y¹ in the flap E, and the two plates, when the flap is turned down with the view of closing the envelope, being immediately above each other. By a slight knock with a hammer or otherwise, the projection on the eyelet X¹ on the plate V simultaneously becomes engaged with and encompasses the semi-ball or dome-shaped projection U, and the other projection on the plate V engages with the projection W on the plate T when they become locked and definitely fixed thereto, and the envelope is closed and unable to be opened without detection.

Referring to Figure 5 of my earlier Application No. 25,249/32 (Serial No. 406,756) for Patent, in place of carrying the spring-clip or band beyond the upper part of back portion of the envelope and folding it over the enclosures to prevent them falling out or being extracted, I may provide an extension of the back part of the envelope with a touch of gum on the end thereof, and fold this over the enclosures and stick the end of the extension to the enclosures.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—

1. Envelopes, boxes, containers and the like characterized in the provision of two small plates, one having an eyelet with a projection, and a semi-ball or dome-shaped projection, and another plate with two eyelets with similar projections, one eyelet above and immediately opposite the other, one plate being fixed to the inside of back of envelope and the other to the flap in such a manner that, when the envelope is being closed, and the flap is turned down with the view of closing the envelope and the device slightly tapped with a hammer or such like, the two plates become locked, by which the envelope could not be tampered with without detection.

2. Envelopes as in claim 1, characterized in the provision of an extension on the back part of the envelope and a little gum on end thereof, which extension, when the contents are in the

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envelope, is turned over the back of the enclosure, the end of the extension being fixed to the enclosure by the gum.

3. Envelopes constructed substantially
5 as and for the purposes hereinbefore described and illustrated on the accompanying sheet of drawings.

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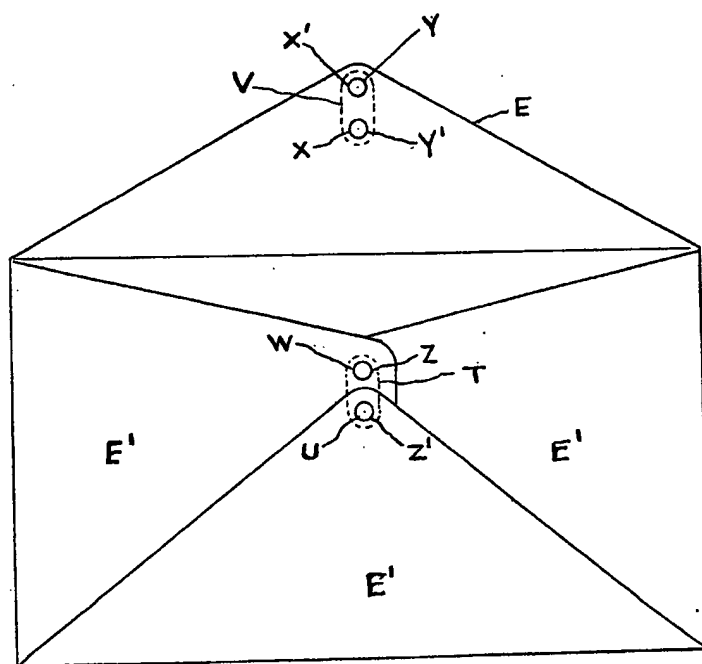


FIG. 1.

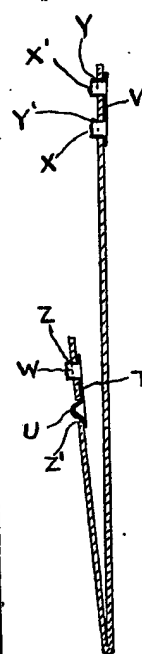


FIG. 2.

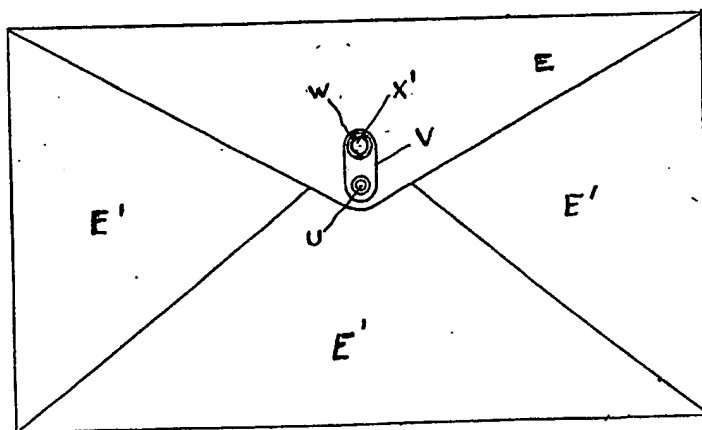


FIG. 3.